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COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES FISH AND GAME COMMISSION

December 18, 2003

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

Fish and Game Propagation Fund Grant Awards (All Supervisorial Districts) (3-Votes)

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD approve the following Fish and Game Propagation Fund grant request totaling \$12,380 for:

Grant request from Steve Holl to Facilitate Stakeholders Meetings for the San Gabriel Mountains Bighorn Sheep Restoration Strategy.

PURPOSE OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

The Commission determined the grant request will promote the propagation of fish and game thus benefiting Los Angeles County and the State of California.

JUSTIFICATION

The Los Angeles County Fish and Game Commission, at its July 10, 2003 meeting, recommended that your Honorable Board approve the grant from the Fish and Game Propagation Fund. Since 1952, the Commission has supported activities and projects overseeing the propagation and protection of fish and game. The Commission continues to promote the best methods for the propagation and protection of fish and game in the state of California and Los Angeles County.

FINANCING/FISCAL IMPACT

There is no impact on the General Fund. The approved expenditure will be charged to the Fish and Game Propagation Fund, which has sufficient funds to cover these costs.

The Los Angeles County Fish and Game Propagation Fund is financed from a percentage of penalty assessments collected relating to Fish and Game Code violations in Los Angeles County.

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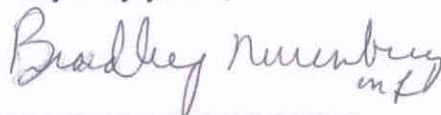
FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

Section 13100 of the Fish and Game Code establishes guidelines for the expenditure of fines levied for fish and game code violations. It includes public education relating to the scientific principles of fish and wildlife conservation, consisting of supervised formal instruction carried out pursuant to a planned curriculum and aids to education such as literature, audio and video recordings, training models, and nature study facilities.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)

None.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Bradley Nuremberg". There is a small mark below the signature that appears to be "in f".

BRADLEY NUREMBERG
Chairman

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Attachments

November 19, 2003

Mr. Bradley Nuremberg
Los Angeles County Fish and Game Commission
500 West Temple Street, Room #383
Los Angeles, CA 90012

PROPOSAL: Facilitate Stakeholders Meetings for the San Gabriel Mountains Bighorn Sheep Restoration Strategy

Dear Chairman Nuremberg:

This proposal is being submitted to the Los Angeles County Fish and Game Commission (Commission) for Steve Holl to facilitate stakeholders meetings and obtain financial support for the restoration of the San Gabriel Mountains bighorn sheep population.

BACKGROUND

The Commission, California Department of Fish and Game and the Forest Service prepared an administrative draft report, "Implementation Strategy to Restore the San Gabriel Mountains Bighorn Sheep Population". That report has been reviewed by the agencies and minor modifications will be made to the text. The Grand Prix fire completed all of the habitat improvement identified on San Bernardino National Forest. This will result in a savings of approximately \$1.4 million; however, the agencies still require an additional \$2.3 million to fully implement the strategy. The administrative report will be modified to incorporate those changes.

Commissioner Hybarger, Jim Davis, and I made a presentation to the San Gabriel Mountains Regional Conservancy that was well received by the audience. I discussed the concept of a stakeholders group with the California Department of Fish and Game, Forest Service, Mountain Lion Foundation, and members of the audience and all were very supportive of the idea.

PROPOSAL

The objective of forming the stakeholders group is to obtain broad-based support for the implementation strategy. This support will be necessary to secure additional funding from other funding sources. A similar approach was used for the recovery program for the Sierra Nevada bighorn sheep population which resulted in additional funding. Funding from other sources may

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also be directed toward the Commission to ensure you are actively involved in future restoration efforts without affecting existing financial resources.

We have a list of people from the San Gabriel Mountains Regional Conservancy round table discussion that are willing to participate in the stakeholder group. These individuals will be invited by letter to attend a series of meetings. Copies of the draft "Implementation Strategy to Restore the San Gabriel Mountains Bighorn Sheep Population" will be provided to each stakeholder for their review.

We will ask the stakeholders to identify issues, concerns, and opportunities they identify during their review of the draft document. These issues, concerns, and opportunities may be aggregated and/or prioritized so we can work through them. Copies of other studies and state or federal policies may be used at individual meetings to clarify issues. When a consensus is achieved on each issue, modifications will be incorporated into the final implementation strategy. The Commission will be a signatory to the final implementation strategy. When the implementation strategy is finalized we will ask key stakeholders to assist us obtaining support for additional funding to implement the strategy.

Additionally, I will meet with key local, state, and federal legislators to obtain support for additional funding. Representatives from the San Gabriel Mountains Regional Conservancy have also agreed to participate in those meetings.

I assumed there would be four stakeholder meetings. I will prepare materials for each meeting, facilitate those meetings, and prepare summary notes of each meeting. Representatives from the California Department of Fish and Game and Forest Service will assist at each meeting. I have also included time to meet with key legislators to obtain their support. The estimated cost to produce the implementation strategy is \$12,380.00, and is described in the table below. I will invoice the Commission monthly for actual expenses.

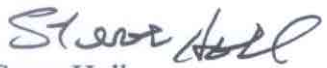
Cost Estimate to facilitate stakeholder meetings for the San Gabriel Mountains bighorn sheep restoration strategy.

Task	Hours	Direct Expenses	Total
Facilitate four stakeholder meetings	50	\$1,620.00 ^{1/}	
Prepare final report	16	\$200.00	
Meet with legislators	30		
Total hours	96		
@ \$110/hour	\$10,560.00	\$1,820.00	\$12,380.00

^{1/} Assumes per trip expenses of \$405.00 (\$155.00 airline ticket, \$85.00 vehicle rental, \$90.00 lodging, \$45.00 meals, \$30.00 parking and fuel).

I look forward to continuing my relationship with the Commission.

Sincerely,


Steve Holl